

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Kelly and I wanted to let you all know, that we love this church! You all have been so caring and hospitable during the short time we have served here. There are so many ways that you have reached out and been the hands and feet of Jesus to us. We want to thank everyone who helped with the fence, the carpet installation, the blind installation, mowing the yard, and any other updates that were done to the parsonage. We also want to thank everyone for the welcome cards and the great meals that were brought to the house our first week. The meals made us especially excited for any upcoming potlucks!

Thank you also for a wonderful first Sunday at Groveport and for the reception for my family. We can tell you all are a very loving church. We are thankful to God that our children will be grow up in a church that has a deep faith and wonderful caring people. May Christ continue to bless us all and guide us through the Holy Spirit in the days ahead.

Grace and Peace,  
Jonathan Mann



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# Meetings and Events at GUMC

~ July 2018 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm	<b>2</b>   Scouts 7 pm	<b>3</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm  RUMC Emmaus 7 pm	<b>4</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Festivities on the Lawn/Parade 10 am-2 pm  Part at the Hilbert's 5 pm	    Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am
<b>8</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm  Boy Scout Cmte Mtg 7 pm	<b>9</b>  Missions 6 pm  Scouts 7 pm	<b>10</b>  Lillian Faith Mtg 6:30 pm-8pm  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>   Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> UM Men's Breakfast 8:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 9 am
<b>15</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>16</b>  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>17</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>18</b>  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>19</b>  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>20</b>  VBS 6:30 pm	<b>21</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am
<b>22</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm  VBS Closing Program 6:30 pm	<b>23</b>  Scouts 7 pm	<b>24</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> RUMC Emmaus Wom- en's Walk  Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>27</b> RUMC Emmaus Wom- en's Walk  Feeding His Children Prep 6 pm-9 pm	<b>28</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am  Feeding His Children 7 am-2pm  RUMC Emmaus Women's Walk
<b>29</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm	<b>30</b>  Scouts 7 pm	<b>31</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm	<b>Notes:</b>			

# Meetings and Events at GUMC

~ August 2018 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>3</b> School Supply As- sembly Set Up 9 am-9 pm	<b>4</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am  School Supply Assembly Set Up 9 am-9 pm
<b>5</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  School Supply Assembly 11:30 am-2 pm  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm	<b>6</b>   Scouts 7 pm	<b>7</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm  RUMC Emmaus 7 pm	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>  Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> UM Men's Breakfast 8:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 9 am
<b>12</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm	<b>13</b>   Scouts 7 pm	<b>14</b>  Lillian Faith-meet @ Mexi- can restaurant in Lithopolis 11:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>  Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am
<b>19</b> Prayer Circle 9:30 am  Women's Emmaus SG 2 pm  UM Men Day @ the Ball Park 4 pm	<b>20</b>  Trustees 7 pm  Scouts 7 pm	<b>21</b>  Women's Emmaus SG 6 pm	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>  Men's Emmaus SG 6:30 pm  GriefShare 7 pm	<b>24</b>  Feeding His Children Prep 6 pm-9 pm	<b>25</b> Women's Emmaus SG 9 am  Feeding His Children 7 am-2pm
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## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars! This year's Vacation Bible School will be from July 15-20 at 6:30 pm, with a special closing program on Sunday evening July 22 at 6:00 pm right here at GUMC! The theme is Christmas in July, and volunteers are still needed, so please prayerfully consider how you might be able to assist with this great ministry. A variety of volunteer positions are available to accommodate various schedules. So whether you can help out just one night, or you can help out every night, please give Steven Shirley a call (614) 835-0251. Online registration is available on the GUMC website ([groveportumc.org](http://groveportumc.org)).



**WELCOME SUMMER**

*[let the good times roll]*

## 4TH OF JULY FESTIVITIES!

Don't miss the annual 4th of July festivities going on at GUMC! The parade begins at 11:00 am and the GUMC lawn is a wonderful place to sit and watch! The ladies of Lillian Faith will be selling coffee and donuts before the parade, and the men will be selling hot dogs and brats before and during the parade. So come out and enjoy some hometown food, fellowship, and festivities!



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*Thank You!*



## LILLIAN FAITH SUMMER PLANS

An EVENING Meeting Potluck will be held for ALL GUMC Ladies on July 10 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a dish to share and eat with other Ladies from GUMC and learn more about Lillian Faith Circle. More to come in the upcoming church bulletin.

On August 14th at 11:30 Plan to eat with Lillian Faith ladies at the Mexican restaurant in Lithopolis. There will NOT be a meeting but a fun lunch during the summer to keep in touch.

## THANK YOU FROM LILLIAN FAITH

The Lillian Faith Circle had a very successful 2017. The 2 biggest fundraisers last year were the: Fall Rummage Sale (part of the Community Garage Sale) in September and the Annual Christmas Cookie Sale in December. Other fundraisers included: selling buck-eyes at the Apple Butter Festival, Palm Sunday Bake Sale, selling donuts and coffee on July 4th, selling Rada knives throughout the year, selling cleaning cloths and silent auctions.

As a result of your continuing, generous support of ALL of the fundraisers, we raised enough money to support several projects, within GUMC, in the community, within central Ohio and 1 project world-wide.

More than \$2,400 was generously raised by the Circle and then donated to projects/services such as GUMY, GUMC funeral budget, Chris Cakes pancake breakfast, purchase of the Upper Room. Donations to community projects included: Groveport Human Needs, Adopt-a-family, Groveport Special Olympics, school books. In central Ohio donations were made to: Rehab (drug/alcohol recovery), Choices (abused women). The Circle also sponsored a Liberia scholarship.

Thank You! Thank You from Lillian Faith!

## SAFE SANCTUARY

Some changes may be coming to our Safe Sanctuary policy. If you are interested in serving on the committee or have any questions about the policy - please contact Kay Carter (chair) or a current committee member (Jean Ann Hilbert, Angela Martin, & Larry Flowers).

Liberian Scholarship Program

We are in the midst of our Liberian Scholarship campaign for the 2018-19 School year. Jeff Myers and David Kudel travel to Liberia on June 30 to collect and review applications, interview students, deliver school supplies and meet with Phebe Community Lutheran School officials. We ask for your prayers for traveling mercies and encourage you to follow their journey thru the blog link: [davidandjeffliberia.blogspot.com](http://davidandjeffliberia.blogspot.com).

The deadline for payment of scholarship pledges of \$100 per student is July 1. If you are still interested in sponsoring a student for the 2018-19 year, please talk with Kathi Faulstich. You may now pay for the scholarships through the GUMC on-line payment program Ezekiel on the website.

School Supply Collection

The Center for G M Human Needs' School Supply Distribution will be held Sunday, August 12 at the Middle School North for all G M students. GUMC will supply 150 packets for students in grades 8-12. Missions will gratefully receive your donations of school supplies and/or funding to purchase supplies thru July 29. Supply assembly will be Sunday, August 5 after worship. Each Sunday bulletin will have a pledge form/shopping list of supplies needed so folks can indicate what they will donate. A sample supply packet will be in the parlor.

Feeding His Children at Claire UMC

We will not serve at Claire in June due to scheduling difficulties. Our next meal will be in July. We continue to have new volunteers this this wonderful servant opportunity.

Missions Leadership

I am pleased to advise that Debbie Sommer and I are now Co-Team Leaders for GUMC Missions, as Debbie transitions into full-time leadership and I transition into team membership. Debbie is already serving as a member of the Feeding His Children team and has a servant's heart for Missions and service.



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The GriefShare small group is a friendly, caring group of people who understands your circumstances and will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. The grieving process is complicated and lonely but you do not have to go through it alone. GriefShare is a 13-week video seminar series that features the nation's most foremost Christian experts on grief and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. The video seminars are combined with support group discussion of the materials presented during the video.

Groveport UMC will sponsor a GriefShare group commencing Thursday, August 28, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The group is open to anyone in our community or surrounding area who has experienced the loss of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Please share with your family, friends and co-workers. If you would like to learn more about GriefShare, check out the website at <http://www.griefshare.org/about>.

Registration on-line is now available at <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/90137>. If you have questions, please contact Patty Upperman at 614-582-0611 or Vicki Babbert at 614-537-7081 or send an email to [groveportgriefsharegroup@gmail.com](mailto:groveportgriefsharegroup@gmail.com).

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**THANK YOU**

Words will never express our thanks for all of the expressions of love showed to us on our last Sunday at GUMC. Your very generous gift, the reception, the worship service, and all of the cards and well wishes mean more to us than you will ever know. The Groveport Church family will always hold a very special place in our hearts. You truly have been God's gift to us. We thank God and all of you for the precious memories. May God richly bless you as you press on into the new day! Pastor Chip & Bev

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**ONE NATION UNDER GOD**

By Roger Robicheau

One Nation Under God we live  
Think about all some had to give

We the people share freedom's life  
In a world of ever present strife

Be grateful to those who keep this true  
Warriors of our red, white, and blue

They're trained by those of great skill  
Honed to perform, so strong their will

They show what love is all about  
They'll fight for us, there is no doubt

Defending bravely what we are  
No holding back each heartfelt star

Highly praise these men and women  
Giving thanks time and again

Those in uniform will always be  
The golden pride of this country

